

Climate Ready Grant

Informational webinar

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Coastal Conservancy

STATE *of* CALIFORNIA

Work with partners to protect, restore, and provide access to the California coast & SF Bay



Wink



BLM



Ocean Discovery Institute



Mary Small



Alison Taggart-Barone



- Jurisdiction covers about 30% of California's land area
- Approximately 75% of the population





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Climate Ready

Helping California communities meet the challenge of a changing climate

The Climate Ready Program seeks to encourage local governments and NGOs to take steps to prepare for a changing climate



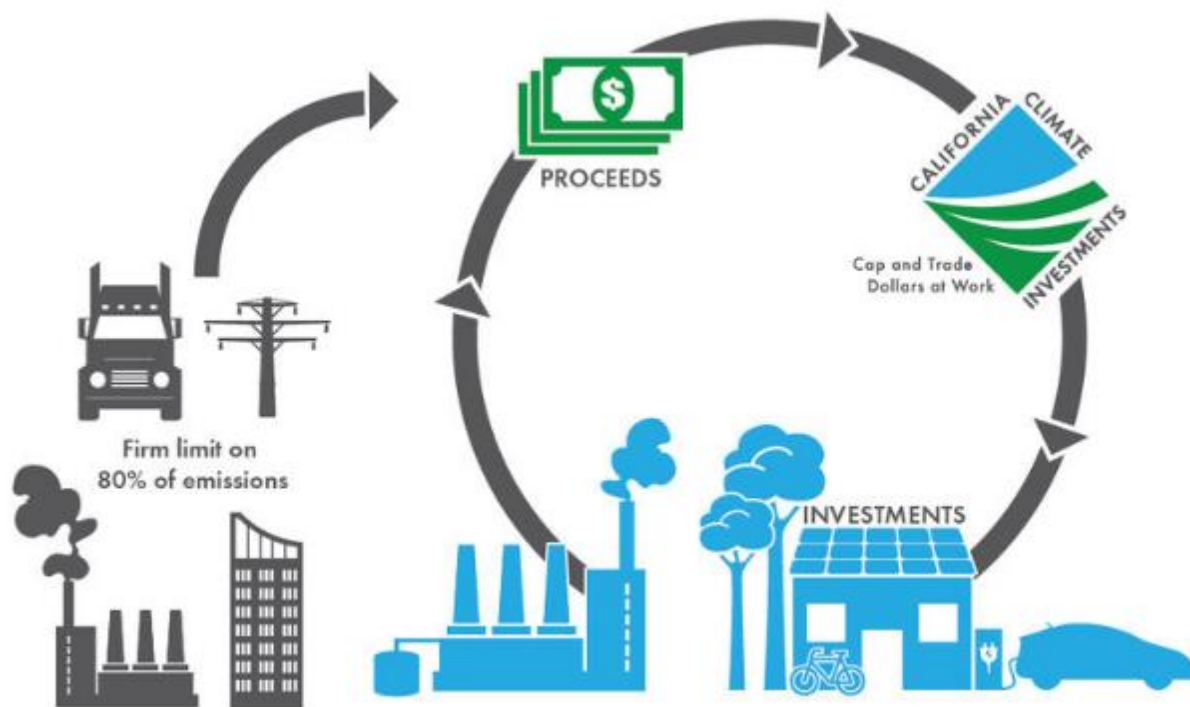
Climate Ready Program

Nature-based solutions for climate adaptation

- The Conservancy has awarded over \$7M for over 40 projects
- Sea-level rise adaptation planning
- Living shorelines
- Carbon sequestration
- Rangeland/agricultural
- Urban Greening



CAP-AND-TRADE AUCTION PROCEEDS

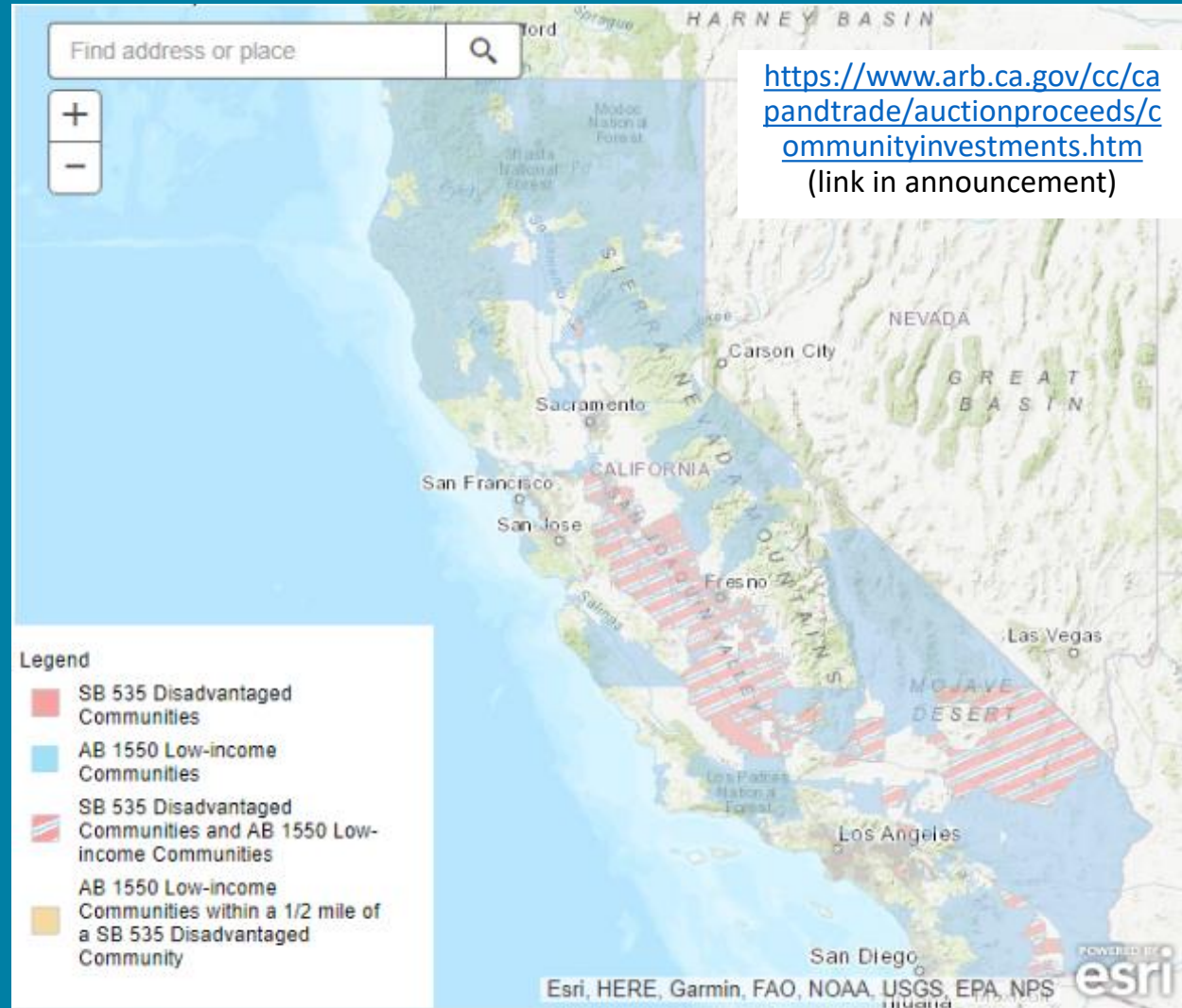
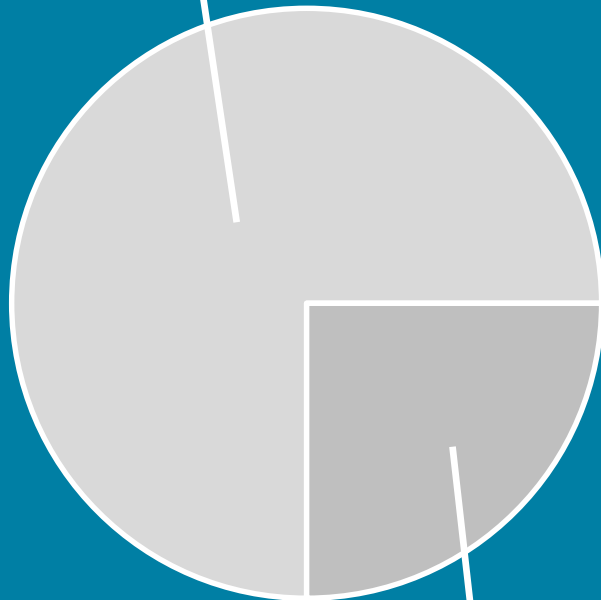


Projects funded by this Climate Ready round will facilitate the reduction of greenhouse gases

DISADVANTAGED AND LOW-INCOME COMMUNITIES (DACs)

75% of funds to disadvantaged or low-income communities

25% to any community



DISADVANTAGED AND LOW-INCOME COMMUNITIES (DACs)

To qualify:

1. Located in disadvantaged or low-income community
2. Meets need(s) of that community
3. Provides direct and meaningful benefits

Does your project benefit a low income or disadvantaged (AB 1550) community? Please check all that apply. You will be asked to describe the benefit(s) in Question 10 of this application.

- ☐ Preserves a site that allows public access
- ☐ Significantly reduces flood risk to households within one or more disadvantaged or low income communities
- ☐ Significantly reduces fire risk to households within one or more disadvantaged or low-income communities
- ☐ Maintains water quality and health of watersheds serving priority populations through avoiding the conversion of forest lands or wetlands that would have resulted in impacts to nearby water bodies located in the same or a directly adjacent disadvantaged or low income community as the project
- ☐ The majority (>50 percent) of trees planted by the project are located within one or more disadvantaged or low-income communities, and the project terms provide for maintenance of the trees and related vegetation
- ☐ Expands or improves the usability of existing active transportation routes (e.g., walking or bicycle paths) or creates new active transportation routes that are publicly accessible by walking within one or more disadvantaged or low-income communities, or improves open spaces, parks, greenbelts, and recreational areas publicly accessible by walking within one or more disadvantaged or low-income communities
- ☐ Provides regular and ongoing educational opportunities through partnerships with schools or non-profit organizations located in disadvantaged or low income communities and site access to residents of these communities
- ☐ Includes recruitment, agreements, policies, or other approaches that are consistent with federal and state law and result in either:
 - ☐ At least 25 percent of project work hours performed by residents of a disadvantaged or low-income community, or by residents of low-income households
 - ☐ At least 10 percent of project work hours performed by residents, as described above, participating in job training programs which lead to industry-recognized credentials or certifications

CLIMATE READY GRANT

A great fit will:

Use nature-based solutions
for climate change adaptation

Facilitate the reduction of
greenhouse gas emissions

Provide multiple benefits,
especially to DACs



CLIMATE READY APPLICATION

Due July 2

- Pre-proposal consultations with Regional Manager are recommended, email suggested
- Complete application includes:
 - Grant application cover page (pdf)
 - Grant application form (in Microsoft word or rtf format)
 - Project maps, design plans, and photos (one pdf file and one shapefile or kmz of project footprint)
 - Nonprofit Organizations, please submit completed Nonprofit Organization Pre-Award Questionnaire
- Basic information about all applications will be posted on Conservancy website

CLIMATE READY APPLICATION

Applications will first be screened:

1. Does it meet purposes of Climate Ready?
2. Will it facilitate reduction of GHG emissions?
3. Is it located in a DAC? Will it provide meaningful benefit(s)?

CLIMATE READY APPLICATION

Criteria	Points
Project achieves purposes of this round of Climate Ready grants.	15
Project maximizes benefits and/or provides multiple benefits	20
Best available science, technology, practices	5
Meaningful community engagement and support	20
Sustainable outcomes in long-term with clear method for monitoring	7
Demonstrated success implementing similar projects	8
Reasonable scope of work, budget, schedule	25

CLIMATE READY TIMELINE

July 2 2018:
Applications due

End of Sept 2018:
Applicants
notified

Dec 6 2018:
Projects
presented at
Board meeting

Jan 2019:
Earliest project
start date

March 1 2022:
Funds must be
spent

PROJECT REPORTING

The Conservancy will work with grantees to meet California Air Resources Board reporting requirements:

- Quantification of GHG emission reductions
- Co-benefits



Other grants with GGRF funding

Wildlife Conservation Board: Climate Adaptation and Resiliency Program

- \$20 million for projects that provide adaptation to wildlife (at least 60% to acquisitions)
- Pre-application due May 18

CA Dept of Fish and Wildlife: Wetlands Restoration for Greenhouse Gas Reduction Program

- \$12.75 million for projects designed to restore or enhance coastal tidal wetlands, Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta wetlands, or mountain meadows for the purpose of achieving quantifiable greenhouse gas (GHG) benefits and providing important co-benefits
- Due date TBD – seeking public comments on solicitation

FAQs

Is there a minimum or maximum amount available for each project?

No, but we anticipate funding 5-10 projects. There is \$3.8 million available total

Will planning projects be funded?

Will be considered if the planning:

1. will lead to reduction of GHG emissions
2. is an essential step to develop a project
3. has a clear plan for future implementation

Can we apply for climate vulnerability assessments ? – No

Can we apply for land acquisition? – maybe (WCB might be better fit)

FAQs

Can funding be used for community engagement activities (food/childcare)? – Yes

Can we be reimbursed for work prior to award – No

Is there matching fund requirement – No, but will earn points in “support” category

Why aren't you giving out \$6M? Budget Act gave \$1.5M to Coastal Commission and \$500K to BCDC for Climate Planning

Thank you!

Questions about application: carrie.boyle@scc.ca.gov

Pre-proposal consultations:

- North Coast: Del Norte County to coastside Sonoma and Marin Counties
Karyn Gear: karyn.gear@scc.ca.gov
- San Francisco Bay Area: Nine Bay Area Counties, excluding the coastside of Sonoma, Marin, and San Mateo Counties:
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- Central Coast: coastside San Mateo County to Santa Barbara County:
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